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HOLMES & NARVER, Inc.

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TO: Chief of Operations JOB: 884  
FROM: Manager, C/O Division RE: ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

DATE: April 2, 1953

Mr. Spain advised by telephone March 31, 1953, that there was a possibility of his office securing \$275,000. which could be budgeted against Plant and Equipment, FY-1953 budget. It is, of course, desirable to have money, when available, for the procurement of as much material as possible in order that the permanent construction authorized in FY-1954 budget be started immediately. After reviewing these items of work on Fred and Elmer which were to be started July 1st, I advised Mr. Spain yesterday that we would recommend earmarking the \$275,000. for purchase of all electrical equipment and materials for the power generation and distribution systems planned for Elmer and Fred, and that any balance of the funds be applied toward the purchase of the warehouses for both sites.

My review of the materials required indicates that the electrical change-over will require \$233,000., materials only, and the FY-54 warehouse program will require approximately \$80,000. worth of buildings; bins, pumps, and lighting not included. These two items total \$313,000.

Estimates submitted to the Field Manager for road improvements on Fred were \$18,865. less and estimates for the pier were \$9,005. less than figures submitted to Spain while we were at the Jobsite. This savings is offset partially by an increase in our estimate for the salt water pump house of \$970. and an increase on the sea wall estimate of \$315.00, indicating a net reduction of \$26,585. This reduction plus the \$275,000 which may be available to this account totals \$301,585., leaving us short about \$11,000. of having enough money to purchase all electrical and warehouse materials which we would like to buy at this time.

I have recommended to Mr. Spain that we proceed as follows as soon as he advises us that the \$275,000. is available:

1. Prepare specifications and solicit bids for all materials and equipment required for the electrical change-over.
2. Upon receipt of bids with firm delivery promises, place orders immediately for all long-delivery items and defer purchase of any items which appear to be readily available (30-day delivery or less).
3. Secure bids on warehouse buildings only for both Elmer and Fred and, at that time, review and estimate the amount of electrical material that should be committed prior to July 1, 1953. At that time we will also review actual costs incurred against roads, pier, and salt water pump house, and check the accuracy of our estimates. If necessary, at that point we will earmark for advance procurement some of the funds now allocated to Jobsite Change Orders in order to proceed with the procurement of warehouses.

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In summary, we should be very careful about spending Plant and Equipment money, except for long-delivery items, in order that we may speed up scheduling of the additions to permanent facilities as soon after July 1 as possible. Jobsite Change Orders should be held to a bare minimum in order to allow as much advance procurement as possible.

The above plan can be effected as soon as we are notified that funds are available.

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